

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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APRIL 10, 2001

**FROM: G. DANIEL OJEDA, Director
Architecture & Engineering Department**

**ED KIECZYKOWSKI, County Librarian
Library**

**SUBJECT: BLOOMINGTON BRANCH LIBRARY – ISSUE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR DESIGN CONSULTANT SERVICES**

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize Architecture & Engineering, in conjunction with County Library, to issue a Request for Proposals for design consultant services for a new County Branch Library in Bloomington.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On January 16, 2001, the County received title to land at the corner of Cedar Avenue and Slover Avenue in Bloomington. On February 27, 2001, the Board approved an allocation of \$185,000 to the County Library from the Priority Policy Needs budget to fund the architectural design phase of a potential new County Library branch facility in Bloomington. The County Library's budget appropriations were also increased by \$185,000 for the architectural design work related to this allocation.

The Bloomington Branch Library currently operates out of a 30-year-old, 4,000 square foot leased building located at 10145 Orchard Avenue in Bloomington. The Library has leased this facility since 1986. A recent review by the Real Estate Services Division revealed problems with the building's foundation. In addition, staff has identified a number of other deficiencies including the following: insufficient space for all of the Branch Library's needs; lack of a community meeting room; inadequate wiring; and the facility is non ADA compliant.

This Request for Proposal will allow the County to solicit qualified consultants to design and prepare bid documents for the new library. The development of architectural plans will also assist the County Library in applying for Proposition 14 Library funds or to seek other available funding to complete the project. The total project cost including design, construction management, construction, contingency and project management is estimated to be \$1,500,000.

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REVIEWED BY OTHERS: This Board Item has been coordinated with Valerie Clay, County Administrative Office; Eli Montoya, Department Contract Compliance Designee; and approved as to form by Jean Basle, Deputy County Counsel.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The architectural services contract cost will be reimbursed by the FY 2000/2001 County Library Operating Fund.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): Fifth

PRESENTER: G. Daniel Ojeda, Director, A&E
Ed Kieczkowski, County Librarian